

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 TOKYO 14617 140905Z

ACTION EB-08

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 EA-12 ISO-00 SP-02 ICA-20 AID-05  
NSC-05 SS-15 STR-07 OMB-01 CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00  
FRB-01 INR-10 NSAE-00 XMB-04 OPIC-06 LAB-04  
SIL-01 ( ISO ) W

-----086630 141002Z /12

P 140857Z AUG 78

FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0355

TREASURY/DEP WASHDC PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY ROME

UNCLAS TOKYO 14617

USEEC

USOECN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ECRP, JA

SUBJECT: JAPAN'S AGGREGATE TRADE - JULY - PRELIMINARY  
(CERP 0102)

1. SUMMARY: JAPAN'S IMPORTS, S.A., REBOUNDED IN JULY WHILE EXPORTS CONTINUED TO DECLINE, ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY CUSTOMS BASIS FOREIGN TRADE DATA RELEASED BY MINISTRY OF FINANCE (MOF) AUG 14. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED IMPORTS ROSE 7.1 PCT IN JULY OVER THE PRIOR MONTH'S LEVEL AFTER THE SHARP DECLINE OF 15.9 PCT IN JUNE. ERRATIC OIL IMPORTS ACCOUNT FOR MOST OF THE RECENT MONTH-TO-MONTH FLUCTUATION OF IMPORTS. EXPORTS DROPPED 2.4 PCT (S.A.) IN JULY FOLLOWING A 0.6 PCT DECLINE IN JUNE. VOLUME  
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 TOKYO 14617 140905Z

ESTIMATES (S.A.) SHOW IMPORTS REBOUNDED BUT EXPORTS FELL IN JULY. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING ARE PRELIMINARY MOF DATA ON JULY CUSTOMS BASIS FOREIGN TRADE, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, IN MIL DOLLARS, WITH YEAR-OVER-YEAR PCT CHANGE IN PAREN:

- JUNE JULY

EXPORTS (FOB) 8,109 (21.7) 8,332 (14.8)

IMPORTS (CIF) 5,732 (MIN 1.8) 6,264 (7.8)

(NOTE: JULY 1978 CUSTOMS EXPORTS IN YEN 1,710,285 MIL  
AND IMPORTS 1,285,088 MIL.)

3. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA FOLLOW IN MIL DOL WITH PCT  
CHANGE FROM PRIOR MONTH IN PAREN:

- JUNE (REV) JULY

EXPORTS (FOB) 8,016 (MIN 0.6) 7,822 (MIN 2.4)

IMPORTS (CIF) 5,754 (MIN 15.9) 6,162 (7.1)

4. JAPAN'S JULY EXPORTS TO AND IMPORTS FROM U.S., NOT  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, FOLLOW (IN BIL YEN WITH YEAR-OVER-  
YEAR PCT CHANGE IN PAREN):

- JUNE JULY

EXPORTS TO U.S.(FOB) 459.7 (4.5) 425.6 (MIN 9.7)

IMPORTS FROM U.S.(CIF) 269.1(MIN 9.5) 251.6 (MIN 12.1)

5. JAPAN'S CRUDE OIL IMPORTS IN JULY (C.I.F., N.S.A.)  
FOLLOW (YEAR-OVER-YEAR PCT CHANGE IN PAREN):  
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 TOKYO 14617 140905Z

- JUNE JULY

YEN VALUE (IN BIL YEN) 259.5 (MIN 45.2) 343.4 (MIN 30.4)

QUANTITY IMPORTED (IN

-MIL KILOLITERS) 13.5 (MIN 33.0) 19.3 (MIN 11.0)

6. JULY 1978 MOF PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF YEAR-OVER-YEAR  
PCT CHANGES IN INDICES OF QUANTUM AND UNIT VALUE FROM  
JULY 1977 AS FOLLOWS (YEN-DENOMINATED, CUSTOMS BASIS):

- EXPORTS IMPORTS

QUANTUM MIN 8.0 4.3

UNIT VALUE MIN 4.3 MIN 20.9

7. FOLLOWING ARE EMBASSY ESTIMATES OF PCT CHANGE FROM  
PRIOR MONTH IN QUANTUM INDEX IN JULY AFTER SEASONAL ADJUST-  
MENT BASED ON SEASONAL FACTORS UNOFFICIALLY PROVIDED BY  
ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY.

- EXPORTS IMPORTS

QUANTUM MIN 5.5 4.2

8. NOTE: RATES OF EXCHANGE USED BY MOF TO CONVERT TO YEN  
BASIS FOR JULY 1978 WERE 205.27 YEN PER DOLLAR FOR EXPORTS  
AND 205.17 YEN PER DOLLAR FOR IMPORTS.

9. JULY DATA FOR JAPAN'S TRADE BY AREA AND COMMODITY WILL  
BE REPORTED SEPARATELY. MANSFIELD

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 jan 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** FOREIGN TRADE, CERP 0102  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 14 aug 1978  
**Decaption Date:** 01 jan 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 jan 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1978TOKYO14617  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D780331-0810  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** TOKYO USEEC  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1978/newtext/t19780865/aaaaccrx.tel  
**Line Count:** 124  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** f9198663-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ACTION EB  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 29 mar 2005  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** N/A  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 1743435  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** JAPAN'S AGGREGATE TRADE - JULY - PRELIMINARY (CERP 0102)  
**TAGS:** ECRP, JA  
**To:** STATE TRSY  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvwkey:** odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/f9198663-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Sheryl P. Walter  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
20 Mar 2014  
**Markings:** Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014